



Upper Uwchlan Township  
**JOINT BOARDS/COMMISSIONS WORKSHOP**

April 13, 2010  
Minutes

Approved June 21, 2010

**In attendance:**

Guy Donatelli, Chairman  
Cathy Tomlinson, Vice-Chair  
Kevin Kerr, Supervisor  
Cary Vargo, Township Manager  
Chief DeMarco, Police Chief  
Al Gaspari, Codes Administrator  
Matt Brown, P.E., DEE – ARRO Consulting

Stephen Beckman, Chair – Park & Rec Board  
Jim Dewees, Member – Planning Commission  
Mary Lou Farrow, Chair – Historic Commission  
Jamie Goncharoff, Chair – Emergency Mgmt  
Cliff Schultz, Chair – Zoning Hearing Board  
Peter Drinkwater, Chair – Technology Advisory

**A. J. Blosenski Inc.:**

Anthony Blosenski, Jim Clark

**J. P. Mascaro Inc.:**

Sam Augustine, Albert DeGennaro, Esq.

Mr. Donatelli called the workshop to order at 4:00 p.m.

**Board of Supervisors**

Cary Vargo reported that 3 bids were received for the 2010-2013 Solid Waste/Recycling Contract and they are currently being analyzed as there were several options to consider. The Township would like to move toward once per week trash and recycling collection, monthly yard waste collections, promoting an increase in recycling and decrease in waste to the landfill, and the purchase/distribution of containers with wheels and hinged lids. Lengthy discussion followed with the majority of comments focused on the pros/cons of the change to once per week collection, the size of the containers, and is there a car attachment for those residents with long or steep driveways.

Mary Lou Farrow and Bob Wise updated the Board that after further research of the Upland Farm house, major renovation would be necessary to use it as a public building. The Upland Farm Committee suggests passive recreation for the grounds. The Public Works Department will remain there until a suitable facility is acquired. An article will be in the Spring newsletter regarding the Upland Farm site and the Committee's work.

A Public Works facility is being pursued. The equipment should be properly housed in order to extend its operational life and reduce maintenance costs. There are several parcels being investigated at this time.

**Park & Recreation Board**

Al Gaspari reported 6 bids were received for the Fellowship Fields lighting project bids and all were lower than the estimate. The Township has a few waivers to review and approve and then the lighting installation will most likely begin in July so they are operational for Fall play. Stephen Beckman reported design alterations are approved for the rain gardens at Fellowship Fields for safety reasons; discussions are being held with GEYA regarding special projects at Larkins Field; and the 2010 Block Party plans are coming along – 2 bands are already participating, the fireworks are set, vendors are submitting registrations, etc.

**Technology Advisory Board (TAB)**

Peter Drinkwater reported the TAB is finishing up the Police Department server project and looking into redesigning the website.

**Municipal Authority**

Matt Brown reported that due to Orleans Homebuilders filing for bankruptcy, the Phase II sewerage expansion to several older neighborhoods is on hold.

**Planning Commission**

Jim Dewees reported the Commission has been reviewing a draft Ordinance regarding Alternative Energy Systems for the village/commercial, commercial and industrial districts. Jim commented that there are several regulations within the draft Ordinance that restrict property owner's ability to take advantage of alternative energy sources. Comments were made that the Ordinance should be simplified, requiring conditional use approvals for any alternative energy systems. The Board asked representatives of the Planning Commission attend the next Supervisors' workshop to discuss further.

**Historic Commission**

Mary Lou Farrow reported the Historic Commission continues to investigate suitable uses of the house at Upland Farm.

**Emergency Management Planning Commission**

Jamie Goncharoff reported the EMPC has been reviewing Chester County's Vulnerability Plan, which needs to be updated every 5 years, and which each Township is asked to review and adopt. He also reported that the EMPC would like administrative support at their monthly meetings.

**Zoning Hearing Board**

Cliff Schultz reported that Zoning Hearing Board has not received any applications thus far, but is following up on a few conditions of previous decisions.

**Open Session**

Doris Grassi asked if the Township is working on a long-range financial plan? Cary Vargo replied a long-range plan is being updated.

Don Carlson commented the field at Greenridge is in need of attention. Cary replied it is on the Public Works schedule.

Kevin Kerr asked if the seasonal help had been hired. Al replied one of the two positions for grass mowing had been filled and another interview was taking place this week.

Al Gaspari commented a new Club has formed in Eagle – the Italian American Club. They meet the first Monday of the month at Montesano's.

Guy Donatelli reported Uwchlan Township will celebrate their 300<sup>th</sup> anniversary next year.

**Adjournment**

There being no further business to discuss, Guy adjourned the Workshop at 6:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Gwen Jonik,  
Township Secretary